Allocation for education

†639. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation for development, promotion and expansion of elementary education, secondary education, higher education and vocational education during the Tenth Five Year Plan, State-wise alongwith the amount spent and it's percentage to the national income;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the percentage of present outlay being spent on education; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) State-wise allocations are not made by this Department. Grants are, however, released to State Governments keeping in view the proposals received, availability of resources and progress of utilization of funds earlier released under each scheme. The Common Minimum Programme of the Government pledges to raise public spending in education to at least 6% of GDP with at least half of this amount being spent on primary and secondary sectors. This will be done in a phased manner.

Allotment of land to schools

640. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of unaided recognized schools in Delhi which were allotted land at normal rate by Government have been found violating the condition of providing minimum 20 per cent free admission to the students belonging to the weaker section of society;

(b) if so, the number of such schools; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.